

material representing the Clementon station, however, consists of two plants on the sheet, and both are of the same form.

A suggestive point, however, comes out when the distribution and habitat of the typical form, and of the variety, in the Philadelphia region, is looked into. All our typical *S. Smithii* comes, so far as I know, from the immediate shores of the main course of the Delaware River, commonly within tide-water limits, and frequently submerged at high-water; while the three stations for the variety are a considerable distance back from the river,—in the case of Clementon about eleven miles — and naturally have a habitat distinctly different, the Clementon station being a fresh-water pond. This may all be coincidence, however, but it would seem to show that there are interesting points still to be solved concerning the distribution and habitat of species and varieties of this class.

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TETRAPLODON AUSTRALIS IN MASSACHUSETTS.—While collecting lichens near a small pond in the vicinity of North Brookfield, Mass., in June, 1908, I found in the sphagnum near the edge of the pond, a moss which I did not recognize. Later this proved to be *Tetraplodon australis* Sull. & Lesq. So far as I know this moss has not before been reported from Massachusetts, possibly not from New England.—FRANK DOBBIN, Shushan, New York.

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NOTE ON SCHEUCHZERIA PALUSTRIS L.—The records in the hands of the Local Flora Committee show that this is a rare plant in the Boston District — partly from lack of mossy peat-bogs, perhaps. I found a good station for this species in Sharon, Massachusetts, June 27, 1909. Back of Billings Pond is a smaller pond surrounded by woods, but with a wide margin of peat-moss. In this moss was the *Scheuchzeria*, along with such other bog-lovers as *Decodon verticillatus* (L.) Ell., *Andromeda glaucophylla* Link., and *Gaylussacia dumosa* (Andr.) T. & G. The last was still in blossom, but the *Scheuchzeria* was already well fruited. This record was accidentally omitted from the list.—C. H. KNOWLTON, for the Local Flora Committee.